

**GENERAL BUSINESS CONSENT AGENDA
FOR INSTRUCTION & PROGRAM, OPERATIONS,
FISCAL MANAGEMENT, PERSONNEL AND GOVERNANCE
September 9, 2025**

INSTRUCTION & PROGRAM

- I&P-1. Approve use of the 2023 Full Service Community Schools Grant funds to provide comprehensive academic, social, and health services for students, students' family members, and community members that will result in improved educational outcomes for students and families at School 10, Joseph A. Taub School, Eastside High School, International High School, Passaic School 6, and Passaic High School, from January through December 2025, in the amount of \$2,604,883.00, and authorize a contribution of matching and in-kind services as required by each FSCS grant. **APPROVED**
- I&P-2. Approve the acceptance and submission of Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) FY2025-2026 ESEA Consolidation Subgrant Application through the EWEG system accessed through NJDOE Homeroom page for Title I-A, Title I Reallocated, Title IIA, Title III, Title III IMM and Title IV-Part A, for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, in the amount of \$26,259,329.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-3. Approve acceptance of funding from the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development, to operate the program entitled Consolidated Adult Basic Skills and Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education at the Paterson Adult & Continuing Education, for the project period from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026, in the amount of \$1,572,122.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-4. Approve acceptance of the US Army's Picatinny Arsenal STEM Office grant for the International High School Robotics Team in the amount of \$3,000, and the US Department of Defense STEM Office grant in the amount of \$3,000, for the 2025-2026 school year. **APPROVED**
- I&P-5. Approve entering into an agreement with YBH of Passaic Hillel, as a recipient of the FY2026 Teach STEM Classes in Nonpublic Schools grant, in partnership with Alyssa Apryas, who is employed by the Paterson Public School District, to provide additional remuneration for public school teachers to teach STEM classes in nonpublic schools during hours mutually agreed upon by the partnering teacher, school district and nonpublic school, for the 2025-2026 school year, in the amount of \$22,520.62. **APPROVED**
- I&P-6. Approve entering into an agreement with Pioneer Academy, as a recipient of the FY2026 Teach STEM Classes in Nonpublic Schools grant, in partnership with Bradley Gold, who is employed by the Paterson Public School District, to provide additional remuneration for public school teachers to teach STEM classes in nonpublic schools during hours mutually agreed upon by the partnering teacher, school district and nonpublic school, for the 2025-2026 school year, in the amount of \$5,067.50. **APPROVED**
- I&P-7. Approve entering into an agreement with Ohr Yisrael of Bergen County, as a recipient of the FY2026 Teach STEM Classes in Nonpublic Schools grant, in partnership with Michelle Greveson, who is employed by the Paterson Public School District, to provide additional remuneration for public school teachers to teach STEM classes in nonpublic schools during hours mutually agreed upon by the partnering teacher, school district and nonpublic school, for the 2025-2026 school year, in the amount of \$33,910.53. **APPROVED**

- I&P-8. Approve entering into an agreement with The Frisch School, as a recipient of the FY2026 Teach STEM Classes in Nonpublic Schools grant, in partnership with Viola Haddad, who is employed by the Paterson Public School District, to provide additional remuneration for public school teachers to teach STEM classes in nonpublic schools during hours mutually agreed upon by the partnering teacher, school district and nonpublic school, for the 2025-2026 school year, in the amount of \$14,693.69. **APPROVED**
- I&P-9. Approve entering into an agreement with Dawn Treader Christian Academy, as a recipient of the FY2026 Teach STEM Classes in Nonpublic Schools grant, in partnership with Lynn Hazelman, who is employed by the Paterson Public School District, to provide additional remuneration for public school teachers to teach STEM classes in nonpublic schools during hours mutually agreed upon by the partnering teacher, school district and nonpublic school, for the 2025-2026 school year, in the amount of \$39,368.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-10. Approve entering into an agreement with Dawn Treader Christian Academy, as a recipient of the FY2026 Teach STEM Classes in Nonpublic Schools grant, in partnership with Rodrigo Lipon, who is employed by the Paterson Public School District, to provide additional remuneration for public school teachers to teach STEM classes in nonpublic schools during hours mutually agreed upon by the partnering teacher, school district and nonpublic school, for the 2025-2026 school year, in the amount of \$29,771.10. **APPROVED**
- I&P-11. Approve entering into an agreement with Yeshiva Ktana of Passaic, as a recipient of the FY2026 Teach STEM Classes in Nonpublic Schools grant, in partnership with John Machin, who is employed by the Paterson Public School District, to provide additional remuneration for public school teachers to teach STEM classes in nonpublic schools during hours mutually agreed upon by the partnering teacher, school district and nonpublic school, for the 2025-2026 school year, in the amount of \$30,977.04. **APPROVED**
- I&P-12. Approve entering into an agreement with Ohr Yisrael of Bergen County, as a recipient of the FY2026 Teach STEM Classes in Nonpublic Schools grant, in partnership with German Rojas, who is employed by the Paterson Public School District, to provide additional remuneration for public school teachers to teach STEM classes in nonpublic schools during hours mutually agreed upon by the partnering teacher, school district and nonpublic school, for the 2025-2026 school year, in the amount of \$20,629.74. **APPROVED**
- I&P-13. Approve entering into an agreement with Yeshiva Ktana of Passaic, as a recipient of the FY2026 Teach STEM Classes in Nonpublic Schools grant, in partnership with Sherri Rothstein, who is employed by the Paterson Public School District, to provide additional remuneration for public school teachers to teach STEM classes in nonpublic schools during hours mutually agreed upon by the partnering teacher, school district and nonpublic school, for the 2025-2026 school year, in the amount of \$32,185.17. **APPROVED**
- I&P-14. Approve the continuation of contracts for Full Service Community Schools Community Partners for Schools 2 and 16, with Art for Kids, Inc., Metis Associates, Health & Wellness and Oasis, for the 2025-2026 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$69,050.00, paid from the Nita M. Lowry 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant. **APPROVED**
- I&P-15. Approve collaboration between Education Plus, 4C's of Passaic County, the State Department of Education and Maria Magda O'Keefe School, to operate the Education Plus Fall Enrichment Afterschool Program to address specific

skills related to assessments conducted of students in need of improvement, from September 8, 2025 through June 18, 2026, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**

- I&P-16. Approve the Community-Based Before and After School Programs with Boys and Girls Club and Youth Education Academy at School No. 18, under the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant, from September 2025 through August 2026, with funding through community organizations. **APPROVED**
- I&P-17. Approve partnership with the Center of Prevention to implement the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) Initiative at Joseph A. Taub School, for the 2025-2026 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- I&P-18. Approve partnership with Winter4Kids and Schools 1, 4, SFLS(6), 16, 24, 28, Joseph A. Taub, Roberto Clemente, Norman S. Weir, Young Men's Leadership Academy, and John F. Kennedy High School, to improve student achievement through better mental health services, socialization, self-esteem, and exploring opportunities, for the 2025-2026 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$55,523.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-19. Approve entering into an agreement with Drop the Beets, LLC, for the continuing installation of an aquaponic system at Joseph A. Taub School, to support community and farm to school events through the harvesting of herbs, vegetables and lettuces from the aquaponic lab, for the 2025-2026 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$25,400.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-20. Approve entering into a partnership with William Paterson University, School of Social Science and Human Services, to serve as a social work field placement site, from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2028, with said partnership renewed every three years, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- I&P-21. Approve acceptance of the Chapter 193 funding and approve Catapult Learning to provide services to Paterson students attending non-public schools, for the 2025-2026 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$214,039.84. **APPROVED**
- I&P-22. Approve entering into an agreement with Passaic County Technical Institute (PCTI) to provide tuition reimbursement for special education students, for the 2025-2026 school year, in the amount of \$907,966.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-23 –
- I&P-24. Approve out of district placement/educational services for students. **APPROVED**
- I&P-25. PULLED

OPERATIONS

- O-26. Approve entering into a contract with Montclair State University to provide credit bearing graduate courses to select educators in gifted education, for the 2025-2026 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$160,000.00. **APPROVED**
- O-27. Approve entering into a contract with the National Institute for Early Education Research (NIEER), to provide professional development along with technical assistance for the Department of Early Childhood Education staff on Self-Evaluation for Supports for Emergent Bilingual Acquisition (SESEBA), for the 2025-2026 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$21,500.00. **APPROVED**

- O-28. Approve entering into a contract with Teach 4 Results, LLC, to provide professional development by Dr. Tracey Severns for all instructional staff and program support for staff and students at School No. 12, on analysis of students' data, to create and sustain a highly-engaged student learning environment in order to improve student achievement, for the 2025-2026 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00. **APPROVED**
- O-29. Approve entering into a contract with William Paterson University for membership in the Professional Development Network to provide a Professor in Residence at Senator Frank Lautenberg School, for the 2025-2026 school year, to provide professional development opportunities for staff and/or support of students, at an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00. **APPROVED**
- O-30. Approve award of contracts for Student Transportation Services (PPS-567-26) to transport special needs and regular education students to in-district and out-of-district schools, for the 2025-2026 school year, at an approximate amount of \$8,719,758.00. **APPROVED**
- O-31. Approve entering into a jointure agreement with Northern Region Educational Services Commission to transport regular and special needs pupils to their respective schools in and out of the district, for the 2025-2026 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$327,919.08. **APPROVED**
- O-32. Approve award of quoted transportation contracts to various schools in-district and out-of-district, for the 2025-2026 school year, in the amount of \$192,567.00. **APPROVED**
- O-33. Approve ratification of the addendum to transportation contracts for additional days and additional aides for routes providing transportation for students outside of Paterson, for the 2025-2026 school year, in the amount of \$21,523.00. **APPROVED**
- O-34. Approve entering into a jointure agreement with Gateway Regional High School District to transport regular and special needs pupils to their respective schools in and out of the district, for the 2025-2026 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$20,682.00. **APPROVED**
- O-35. Approve that the Board of Education has received the Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying investigations for the months of January-June 2025, in which there were 174 incidents reported, and there were 92 being founded cases and 82 being unfounded cases. **APPROVED**

FISCAL MANAGEMENT

- F-36. Approve payment of bills and claims dated through September 9, 2025, beginning with check number 249578 and ending with check number 250231 along with direct deposit numbers beginning with 2538 and ending with 2561 in the amount of \$30,814,867.21, and wires in the amount of \$5,443,327.06, for a total of \$36,258,194.27. **APPROVED**
- F-37. Approve transfer of funds within the 2024-2025 school year budget for the month of July 2025, so that no budgetary line-item account has been over-expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations. **APPROVED**
- F-38. Acknowledge receipt and accept the Monthly Financial Report, Board Secretary A148, for the month of July 2025. **APPROVED**

- F-39. Acknowledge receipt and accept the Monthly Financial Report, Report of the Treasurer A149, for the month of July 2025. **APPROVED**
- F-40. Approve payment for the net payroll checks and direct deposits dated August 14, 2025, beginning with check number 1024202 and ending with check number 1024203 and direct deposit number D003739852 and ending with D003739919 in the amount of \$69,634.81 for retirees health benefits refunds, and payment for the gross payroll checks and direct deposits date August 14, 2025, beginning with check number 1024200 and 1024201 and 1024204 ending with check number 1024205 and direct deposit number D003739920 and ending with D003741201 in the amount of \$4,201,657.13, and approve payment for the gross payroll checks and direct deposits dated August 29, 2025, beginning with check number 102206 and ending with check number 1024221 and direct deposit number D003741202 and ending with D003742593 in the amount of \$3,489,751.09. **APPROVED**
- F-41. Approve rejecting all bids for Fire Protection, Equipment, Maintenance & Services, District-Wide, T&M (PPS-211-26) pursuant to NJSA 18A:18A-22d" Rejection of Bids, since the lowest responsible/responsive bid proposal substantially exceeds the cost estimates for goods and/or services for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years, and services will be procured by a board-approved, state-authorized vendor, pursuant to NJSA 18A:18A-10. **APPROVED**
- F-42. Approve rejecting the proposal for 90 Delaware Cafeteria Food Supplies (PPS-305-26) during the 2025-2026 school year, to substantially revise the specifications for the goods and services. **APPROVED**
- F-43. Approve award of a contract for E-RATE Services (RFP-416-26) to Tel/Logic Inc. D.B.A. E-RATE Central, for the 2025-2026, 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years, at an amount not to exceed \$44,000.00 annually. **APPROVED**

PERSONNEL

- P-44. Approve the personnel recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools for adoption at the September 9, 2025, board meeting. **APPROVED**
- P-45. Approve research studies request through Liberty University – Hector Smith: Improving the practices of Special Education Teachers Using Assistive Technology at Winslow Township High School in Atco, New Jersey, during the 2025-2026 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**

GOVERNANCE

none

ADDITIONAL

- I&P-46. Approve award of a contract for Online Curriculum and PD Platform, K-8 Music Teachers (RFP-440-26RB) to QuaverEd, Inc., for the 2025-2026 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$54,000.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-47. Approve entering into an agreement with the Taub Foundation and the City of Paterson Division of Recreation, to participate in after-school basketball and baseball programs during the 2025-2026 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$206,725.00, with the district's share for the program being \$93,700.00. **APPROVED**

- I&P-48. Approve participation in the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northern NJ at Ramapo College Mentoring Program for School No. 27, to provide meeting site, presentations, mentor/mentee activities, food and beverages for twenty-five participants, for the 2025-2026 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$7,420.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-49. Approve the partnership with Ramapo College for participation in the Upward Bound Program at John F. Kennedy, Eastside and Paterson STEAM High Schools, to ensure its participants graduate from high school with a regular high school diploma, and enroll in an institution of post-secondary education, and have the skills and motivation to succeed in earning a degree in a STEM field, for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- I&P-50. Approve the community-based after school Youth Education Academy program at Dale Avenue School, for students to participate in extra-curricular, enrichment, and recreational activities, for the 2025-2026 school year, with shared custodial, security, and food services, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- I&P-51. Approve the field trip for JROTC students and staff from Eastside High School to attend Tri-Service Weekend at Fort Dix, NJ, from October 17-19, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$600.00 for registration and camp fees. **APPROVED**
- O-52. Approve entering into a contract with William Paterson University for membership in the Professional Development Network to provide a Professor in Residence at School No. 7, for the 2025-2026 school year, to provide professional development for teachers and opportunities for mentorship, at an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00. **APPROVED**
- F-53. Approve acceptance of a donation from the family of the late Dr. Hani Awadallah of 200 meals catered by The Best Spudz Food Truck, on Tuesday, September 2, 2025, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- I&P-54. Approve the amended list of field trip destination sites for the 2025-2026 school year. **APPROVED**
- I&P-55. Approve the reconfiguration of School No. 18 from a 1st through 8th grade to kindergarten through 8th grade, effective for the 2025-2026 school year. **APPROVED**
- G-56. Approve acceptance of the Settlement Agreement between the Board of Education and N.T., who intends to resign effective December 31, 2025, and retire effective January 1, 2026. **APPROVED**